

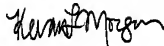
REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 22, 2009. Claims 26 and 44 depend, respectively, from withdrawn Claims 25 and 43. Accordingly, Claims 26 and 44 also stand withdrawn and their status has been modified. Furthermore, withdrawn Claims 14 and 34 have been amended herewith to include a period at the end of the claim.

With these corrections, applicants' response filed January 15, 2009, is in order for review. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims. Upon allowance of the pending claims, applicants further request rejoinder and allowance of the withdrawn claims as each of the withdrawn claims is dependent on an allowable base claim. Should any issues remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned counsel by telephone.

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